PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE DIVISION[645]

Notice of Intended Action

Proposing rule making related to initial licensure and licensure reactivation and providing an opportunity for public comment

The Board of Podiatry hereby proposes to amend Chapter 220, "Licensure of Podiatrists," and Chapter 221, "Licensure of Orthotists, Prosthetists, and Pedorthists," Iowa Administrative Code.

Legal Authority for Rule Making

This rule making is proposed under the authority provided in Iowa Code chapters 148F and 149.

State or Federal Law Implemented

This rule making implements, in whole or in part, Iowa Code chapters 148F and 149.

Purpose and Summary

This proposed rule making changes the process of applying for endorsement by requiring an applicant to provide verification of licensure only from the jurisdiction in which the applicant was most recently licensed, by requiring an applicant to disclose public or pending complaints in any other jurisdiction, and by removing notary requirements.

Fiscal Impact

This rule making has no fiscal impact to the State of Iowa.

Jobs Impact

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

Waivers

A waiver provision is not included in this rule making because all administrative rules of the professional licensure boards in the Professional Licensure Division are subject to the waiver provisions accorded under 645—Chapter 18.

Public Comment

Any interested person may submit written or oral comments concerning this proposed rule making. Written or oral comments in response to this rule making must be received by the Board no later than 4:30 p.m. on December 6, 2022. Comments should be directed to:

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Public Hearing

A public hearing at which persons may present their views orally or in writing will be held as follows:

December 7, 2022 Via video/conference call

8:30 to 9 a.m. Meeting link: us02web.zoom.us, click "join"

Meeting ID: 898 2267 3476

Passcode: 507434

Via telephone: 1.312.626.6799

Persons who wish to make oral comments at the public hearing may be asked to state their names for the record and to confine their remarks to the subject of this proposed rule making. In an effort to ensure accuracy in memorializing a person's comments, a person may provide written comments in addition to or in lieu of oral comments at the hearing.

Any persons who intend to attend the public hearing and have special requirements, such as those related to hearing or mobility impairments, should contact the Board and advise of specific needs.

Review by Administrative Rules Review Committee

The Administrative Rules Review Committee, a bipartisan legislative committee which oversees rule making by executive branch agencies, may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this rule making at its regular monthly meeting or at a special meeting. The Committee's meetings are open to the public, and interested persons may be heard as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.8(6).

The following rule-making actions are proposed:

ITEM 1. Amend paragraph 220.4(2)"b" as follows:

b. Provide a notarized copy of the certificate or diploma awarded to the applicant from a podiatry program in the country in which the applicant was educated.

ITEM 2. Amend paragraph 220.6(2)"f," introductory paragraph, as follows:

f. Request verification of license(s) license from every the jurisdiction in which the applicant has most recently been licensed, sent directly from the jurisdiction(s) jurisdiction to the board office. The applicant must also disclose any public or pending complaints against the applicant in any other jurisdiction. Web-based verification may be substituted for verification direct from the jurisdiction's board office if the verification provides:

ITEM 3. Amend paragraph 220.7(1)"e," introductory paragraph, as follows:

e. Provides verification of license(s) license from every the jurisdiction in which the applicant has most recently been licensed, sent directly from the jurisdiction(s) jurisdiction to the board office. The applicant must also disclose any public or pending complaints against the applicant in any other jurisdiction. Web-based verification may be substituted for verification direct from the jurisdiction's board office if the verification provides:

ITEM 4. Amend subparagraph 220.15(3)"a"(1), introductory paragraph, as follows:

(1) Verification of the license(s) license from every the jurisdiction in which the applicant is or has been licensed and is or has most recently been practicing during the time period the Iowa license was inactive, sent directly from the jurisdiction(s) jurisdiction to the board office. The applicant must also disclose any public or pending complaints against the applicant in any other jurisdiction. Web-based verification may be substituted for verification from a jurisdiction's board office if the verification includes:

ITEM 5. Amend subparagraph 220.15(3)"a"(2) as follows:

(2) Verification of completion of 40 hours of continuing education within two years of application for reactivation or verification of active practice, consisting of at least 2,080 hours, in another state or jurisdiction during the two years preceding an application for reactivation.

- ITEM 6. Amend subparagraph 220.15(3)"b"(1), introductory paragraph, as follows:
- (1) Verification of the license(s) license from every the jurisdiction in which the applicant is or has been licensed and is or has most recently been practicing during the time period the Iowa license was inactive, sent directly from the jurisdiction(s) jurisdiction to the board office. The applicant must also disclose any public or pending complaints against the applicant in any other jurisdiction. Web-based verification may be substituted for verification from a jurisdiction's board office if the verification includes:
 - ITEM 7. Amend subparagraph 220.15(3)"b"(2) as follows:
- (2) Verification of completion of 80 hours of continuing education within two years of application for reactivation or verification of active practice, consisting of at least 2,080 hours, in another state or jurisdiction during the two years preceding an application for reactivation.
 - ITEM 8. Amend paragraph 221.6(1)"f," introductory paragraph, as follows:
- f. Provides verification of license(s) license from every the jurisdiction in which the applicant has most recently been licensed, sent directly from the jurisdiction(s) jurisdiction to the board office. The applicant must also disclose any public or pending complaints against the applicant in any other jurisdiction. Web-based verification may be substituted for verification direct from the jurisdiction's board office if the verification provides:
 - ITEM 9. Amend subparagraph 221.8(3)"a"(1), introductory paragraph, as follows:
- (1) Verification of the license(s) <u>license</u> from every <u>the</u> jurisdiction in which the applicant is or has been licensed and is or has <u>most recently</u> been practicing during the time period the Iowa license was inactive, sent directly from the <u>jurisdiction(s)</u> <u>jurisdiction</u> to the board office. <u>The applicant must also disclose any public or pending complaints against the applicant in any other jurisdiction.</u> Web-based verification may be substituted for verification from a jurisdiction's board office if the verification includes:
 - ITEM 10. Amend subparagraph 221.8(3)"a"(2) as follows:
 - (2) Verification of completion of:
- 1. For orthotists or prosthetists, 30 hours of continuing education within two years of application for reactivation or verification of active practice, consisting of at least 2,080 hours, in another state or jurisdiction during the two years preceding an application for reactivation.
- 2. For pedorthists, 20 hours of continuing education within two years of application for reactivation or verification of active practice, consisting of at least 2,080 hours, in another state or jurisdiction during the two years preceding an application for reactivation.
 - ITEM 11. Amend subparagraph 221.8(3)"b"(1), introductory paragraph, as follows:
- (1) Verification of the license(s) license from every the jurisdiction in which the applicant is or has been licensed and is or has most recently been practicing during the time period the Iowa license was inactive, sent directly from the jurisdiction(s) jurisdiction to the board office. The applicant must also disclose any public or pending complaints against the applicant in any other jurisdiction. Web-based verification may be substituted for verification from a jurisdiction's board office if the verification includes: